

## Vocabulary: Case

There are various noun endings, or inflections, called **CASES**. These endings are used to show whether the noun is used as the subject or the object of a verb, whether it indicates possession, and so on.

## Case Names and Uses

Nominative Case \_\_\_\_\_

Genitive Case \_\_\_\_\_

Dative Case \_\_\_\_\_

Accusative Case \_\_\_\_\_

Ablative Case \_\_\_\_\_

Vocative Case \_\_\_\_\_

## We will focus on...

The Nominative, Accusative, and Ablative Cases

## The Ablative Case

### Vocabulary: Ablative Case

The ablative case we sometimes call the adverbial case because it was the case used by Romans when they wished to modify, or limit, the verb by such ideas as “by what,” “by whom,” “with whom,” “how,” “where; from which,” or “when.” The Romans used the ablative case sometimes with a preposition and sometimes without one.

Ex. The jewels were stolen **by the robber**.  
Flavia and Horatia walk **away from the field**.  
My meeting **in the morning** was cancelled.  
I ran **with the team** today.  
The girl uttered her answers **with anger**.

### N.B.

Most prepositions have **objects** in the **Ablative Case**.  
However, there are some prepositions that have **objects** in the **Accusative Case**.

#### Ablative Case

Ab – from, by  
A – from, by  
De – down from, about  
Ex – out of, from  
E – out of, from  
In – in, on  
Cum – with  
Sub – under  
Sine – without

#### Accusative Case

Ad – to, towards  
In – into  
Per – through, throughout  
Post – after, behind  
Circum – around  
Inter – among, between  
Prope – near  
Trans – across  
Ante – before  
Extra – outside

## PRACTICE

- 1) Circle the preposition
- 2) Underline its object
- 3) Indicate whether the object of the preposition is Ablative or Accusative
- 4) Indicate whether the object of the preposition is Singular or Plural

1. Argus circum casās currit.

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2. Quintus et amīcus ā ludō redeunt.

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3. Flaccus cum Argō ludit.

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4. Scintilla ē casā ambulat et ad hortum procēdit.

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5. Puerī in hortō manent; Scintilla eōs in casam vocat.

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# Translate into Latin

Scintilla makes dinner, but Quintus does not eat. He puts the food on the ground. Scintilla is angry, and she sends him out of the house. Quintus waits outside of the house. He is miserable. Soon Horatia arrives. She asks Quintus, "why are you sitting outside of the house?" Quintus responds, "Mom is mad. I am going to the garden." Horatia enters the house slowly. She sees the food. Suddenly Scintilla walks to Horatia and says, "what are you doing?" Horatia runs out of the house. Now she is miserable.